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SUBJ: TITLE II GRAIN DELIVERIES TO GAMBIA FY 74 AND 75

REF: (BROOMS-WOOD TELECON 6/27)

(FOR DOUG BROOMS)

1. DURING FY 74, 2,000 M.T. TITLE II SORGHUM WERE ALLOCATED GOG THROUGH WFP. 900 TONS OF THIS WERE TRANS-SHIPED FROM DAKAR EARLY IN MAY OF THIS YEAR, IN AN ARRANGEMENT WHICH INVOLVED USAID BORROWING THIS AMOUNT FROM SENEGAL AND REPLACING IT SUBSEQUENTLY. THE BALANCE, WHICH ARRIVED DAKAR ON THE SS ORIOLE ON 5/23/74, WAS TRANS-SHIPED TO BANJUL ON THE MERCHE, A SMALL COASTAL STEAMER, IN THREE TRANCHES, AS FOLLOWS: ON 6/14/74, 451 M.T., 150 KG.; ON 6/20/74, 451 M.T., 150 KG.; AND ON 6/28/74, 255 M.T., 400 KG. THE TOTAL AMOUNT CARRIED BY THE MERCHE, THEREFORE, WAS 1,157 M.T., 700 KG. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TITLE II FOOD-GRAINS RECEIVED BY BANJUL IN FY 1974 WAS 2,057 M.T., GIVE OR TAKE A FEW KILOGRAMS. THIS FOOD WAS PROGRAMMED INTO WFP FOOD FOR WORK PROJECTS. IT REPRESENTED THE TOTAL FOOD ASSISTANCE GIVEN TO GAMBIA BY USG IN FY 74.

2. FOR FY 75, TO DATE FOOD ASSISTANCE TO GAMBIA FROM USG (BI-LATERAL), TOTALS 2,374.5 M.T. THIS FOOD ARRIVED IN DAKAR ABOARD THE SS JAMES (1,380 M.T.) ON 10/3/74, AND ABOARD THE UNCLASSIFIED

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SS VIRGINIA TRADER (994.M.T., 500 KG.) ON 10/25/74. THE

JAMES' CARGO WAS DELIVERED TO BANJUL, AGAIN IN THREE TRANCHES, VIA THE MERCHE, AS FOLLOWS: ON 10/5/74, 440 M.T.; ON 10/12/74, 440 M.T.; AND ON 10/21/74, 440 M.T. A BALANCE REMAINING UNSHIPED OF 60 M.T. WAS ABSORBED IN SUBSEQUENT DELIVERIES TO BANJUL OF THE VIRGINIA TRADER CARO, AGAIN BY THE MERCHE, AS FOLLOWS: ON 10/29/74, 376 M.T. 500 KG.; ON 11/6/74, 309 M.T.; AND ON 11/11/74, 309 M.T.

3. ALL DELIVERIES TO DATE HAVE BEEN SORGHUM. NO ADDITIONAL TITLE II FOOD ASSISTANCE (BILATERAL) HAS BEEN PROGRAMMED FOR THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS, THROUGH AND MARCH. RFFPO UNAWARE OF ANY ADDITIONAL FOODGRAINS IN THE PIPELINE AFTER THAT PERIOD. ALL REPORTS POINT TO EXCELLENT HARVESTS IN GAMBIA. AGGREY

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